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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBJECT: Soviet Jamming of Radio Broadcasts

1. This acknowledges your request of 18 June 1951 concerning the need for intelligence in support of the activities of the International Broadcasting Division, Department of State.

2. As a result of preliminary discussions concerning this subject with your people, we have already started to assemble and correlate the latest available information which bears on the questions that you pose. In these preliminary discussions it was concluded that a worth while report reflecting the best judgment possible with the presently available information could be prepared by 1 September 1951.

3. The United States is severely limited by the inadequacy of much necessary technical information as to what use the Soviet Union in particular, as well as the entire orbit, is making of the radio frequency spectrum.

4. This problem of developing intelligence is extremely complex and, as you know, we are assisting the efforts which have grown out of the proposal of the Voice of America for expanded monitoring activities, and we hope that ultimately an integrated program can be developed which will provide necessary information to determine what the Soviets are actually doing in the radio and electromagnetic warfare fields.

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Director

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